

## OPC VOTES ASSESSMENT NEEDED FOR TRANSITION RISE 'ONE-SHOT' LEVY

A special assessment has been voted by the OPC Board of Governors to cover the unusually heavy expenses resulting this year from rapid expansion of the Club's facilities.

The transition-period assessment, for which bills will be mailed shortly will be \$20 for active and associate resident members; \$10 for non-resident members, and \$50 for affiliates. It will not apply to members overseas or those over 65.

By the action, the Board rejected a proposal from the Financial Advisory Committee for a dues increase of \$25 annually for resident members; \$5 for non-residents, and \$50 for affiliates.

The assessment, it was explained by Board members who sponsored the counter-measure, does not have the permanent character of a dues increase. It is a one-shot levy to cover losses incurred by the Club in adjusting to the operation of a

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## Algiers' Journalists Harrassed by SAO

Newsman covering the Algerian situation found themselves treading on dangerous ground last week as the Secret Army Organization warned journalists to "watch their step" in reporting Algerian developments. Eleven Italian newsmen left the country under death threats, while a 12th, Nicola Caracciolo, defied the threat and stayed behind.

Another foreign newsman was slashed in the face by two young European hoodlums who stopped him on the way to his office with the query "are you a newsman." An affirmative reply brought the slashing — coupled with a warning that "this

will teach you and your colleagues." The newsman's name is being withheld for security reasons.

Two *Life* staffers, writer Ken MacLeish and photographer Stan Wayman, were held at gunpoint late last week by SAO men. They were made to hand over their film and then released.

A French TV cameraman didn't fare as well as the *Life* staffers. He was shot and killed last month — presumably by SAO gunmen.

Warnings to British and American newsmen haven't carried a death threat so far, but several days ago a Secret Army liaison officer told an American reporter: "We have no time for sentiment. If we have to we will not hesitate to kill any of you and without warning."

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## Ryan Dinner Co-Chairman Ticket Prices Announced

Cornelius J. Ryan has been named co-chairman of the 23rd OPC Annual Awards Dinner, to be held Friday, April 14, at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel.

Ryan announced a 40-member Dinner Committee which will assist general chairman Bob Considine and himself in arranging the program.

Ticket prices were announced as follows: \$15 for each OPC member; \$15 for first guest; \$35 for each additional guest.

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PRESS ADVISERS from 42 NYC high schools listen to high school head, Supt. Maurice Hopkins. (See story page 5)

NOTE THESE DATES ON YOUR

### CALENDAR



**Thurs., Mar. 15** — Luncheon for H.E. Amadou Ahidjo, President of the Federal Republic of Cameroon, accompanied by official party. Members' Reception, 12:45, tenth-floor lounge. Luncheon, 1:10 p.m. Reservations limited to 150. (See page 3)

**Mon., Mar. 19** — Reception for 22 West German journalists, leading editors and writers who will be visiting America as guests of State Department. Time: 6:00 — 8:00 p.m., tenth-floor lounge. Details in next issue.

**Tues., Wed., Mar. 20, 21** — The Hemisphere's 11th Hour. Forum of leading Latin, U.S. statesmen, educators, other leaders. A major non-official summit conference on the "Alliance for Progress." Luncheons,

1:00 p.m., Tuesday and Wednesday. Charge: \$5.50. Dinner, 7:30 p.m., Tuesday. Charge: \$7.50. SRO expected. Make reservations early at OPC Desk. (See page 3)

**Thurs., Mar. 22** — Book Fair for OPC writers. Cocktails, 6:30 p.m. Dinner, 7:30 p.m. Charge: \$4. (See page 6)

**Wed., Mar. 28** — Regional Dinner: Finland. Typical Finnish menu, aquavit. Entertainment, door prizes. Charge: \$5. (Details in next issue). Cocktails, 6:30 p.m. Dinner, 7:30 p.m. Reservations, please.

**Thurs., Mar. 29** — Special Reception for OPCer, Major Sir Berkeley Ormerod, Director of PR for British Information Services and N.Y. representative of British Foreign Office, who is retiring after 22 years in the U.S. (Details in next issue). Cocktails, 6:30 p.m. Dinner, 7:30 p.m. Reservations, please.



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# Overseas Ticker



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## CARACAS . . . . . from E.A. BAUMAN

Recent visitors: **Joseph E. Evans**, Wall St. Journal, and **Gerald Clark**, associate editor, The Montreal Star.

**Dick Massock** off to British Guiana to cover disturbances there for AP . . . . **Jules Waldman**, Daily Journal editor-publisher, to USA for month's stay, mostly in NY . . . . **J. Davidson Fendell**, King Features with hq in San Jose, Costa Rica, in Caracas for his 66th trip here . . . Membership even-steven with Embassy PIO **C.E. (Chilly) Harner's** transfer by State Dept. to Washington and his replacement by **Dick Cushing** (ex-AP) from Mexico City . . . OPCers pleased by designation of **C. Allen Stewart** as U.S. ambassador in Venezuela. Appointment by President Kennedy and confirmation by Senate came about 20 years after he was here as AP bureau chief.

Venezuelan newsmen who attended seminar last year at Medill School of Journalism, Northwestern University, as guests of North American Association of Venezuela, have invited **Dean I.W. Cole** to bring down a group of top U.S. newspapermen for a seminar in Venezuela March 11-24. Another NAA seminar for Venezuelan newsmen will be held May 10-31 this time at Stanford.

## SEOUL . . . . . from PAT YOUNG

A few members of the Study Mission Around the World made a side trip from their main tour to visit government officials here. They were **Willis G. Vandenburg**, The News, Shell Rock, Iowa; **Nathan Bolton**, The Bastrop Enterprise, La., and his wife; **James L. Miller**, Citizen, Washington, Mo.; **Russell Frey**, The Rittman Publishing Co., Ohio; **M. Neal Gordon**, The Times Herald, Norristown, Pa.; **Gordon Davis**, The Record Times, Wheatland, Wyo.; **Mrs. Carli Belknap**, Evening Tribune, Albert Lea, Minn., and **Mrs. Clara Whitcomb**, The Times, Bel-lows Falls, Vt.

The first Korean reporter to lose his life while on assignment since the Korean conflict was **Chankap Park**. He was covering a story on the Taegwalyong ski range for the Seoul Shinmun when the plane in which he was a passenger crashed during a heavy snow storm.

## ATHENS . . . . . from ALFRED WAGG

February was a full month for Athens OPCers. **Robert Sarnoff**, NBC chairman of the board, and **Alfred Stern**, NBC International president, stopped off in Greece for four days during a tour of the Middle East. They were received by the Prime Minister and entertained at a reception in the Grande Bretagne Hotel hosted by **John Rigos**.

**General C. Rodney Smith**, Radio Free Europe director, spent several days here

on an inspection tour. He was guest of honor at a party given by **Fritz Oppen**, RFE Greece.

**Ross Hazeltine**, ex-ABC, arrived February to write a series of scripts for documentary films by **Alfred Wagg** Pictures . . . . **John Rigos** leaves for Crete assignment this month to do series on the economic development of the island.

## BERLIN . . . . . from GARY STINDT

Attorney General **Robert Kennedy's** visit to Berlin a couple of weeks ago was the reason for an influx of newsmen to the city. In addition to those traveling with Kennedy, a number of staffers from out of town arrived: **Gaston Coblentz** and **Maggie Higgins**, NY Herald Tribune; **Dan Schorr**, CBS; **Sidney Gruson**, NY Times; **Flora Lewis**, Washington Post; **David Nichol**, Chicago Daily News; **Judy Barden**, NANA; **Russ Braley**, NY Daily News, and **George Bailey**, Reporter Magazine.

**Dwight Martin**, Newsweek, returned from Bonn to cover the visit. AP's **Carl Hartman** was the only newsman to accompany **Edward Kennedy**, here also during his brother's visit for a tour of East Berlin.

**Kennedy** appeared on a West German TV version of NBC's Meet the Press show called Fernseh Presskonferenz. It originated from Radio Free Berlin's (SFB) TV studios. Host of the show was **Rolf Menzel**, SFB editor-in-chief. On the panel were top-rated West Berlin and West German newsmen. **Kennedy's** address to the Ernst Reuter Society at the Free University in West Berlin was also telecast and beamed especially to East German viewers.

**Loyal Gould**, AP, here during the air corridor crisis, went to Hamburg to cover the flood disaster story. He was replaced by **Mike Goldsmith**, AP staffer from Geneva. Also in town recently was **John Scott**, Time, for a lecture tour.

## PARIS . . . from BERNARD S. REDMONT

Plastic bombs have been reverberating around, though fortunately not directly at, the homes and offices of many American correspondents in Paris.

**Serge Fliegers**, Hearst Newspapers, after returning from two-month visit to U.S., reports he had his front windows blown out by plastic bomb blast that damaged the Le Figaro building nearby. It was the second explosion within close earshot of **Serge . . . Curtis Prendergast**,

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Editor This Week: **David Bressen**  
Bulletin Committee Chairman  
**Richard J.H. Johnston**  
Managing Editor: **Lucille G. Pierlot**



## Latin Americans Will Attend Forum

Guanabara's journalist-governor Carlos Lacerda — a central figure in Brazil's present political crisis — will make a special trip to participate in the OPC Hemisphere's Eleventh Hour forum at the Club, March 20-21. Other Inter-American notables who will take part include:

Jaime Benitez, Rector of the University of Puerto Rico, who is coming from San Juan to be a luncheon speaker on education's role in Hemisphere affairs; Drs. A. Curtis Wilgus and Robert E. McNicoll, who are coming from the University of Florida, Gainesville; and Prof. Carleton Sprague Smith of NYU's Brazilian Institute, who will act as moderator on one panel.

Panel Schedules will be as follows:

9:30 a.m. — 12:30 p.m., March 20 —

*Alliance for Progress.* Teodoro Moscoso, U.S. State Dept. Alliance for Progress chief; Arturo Gomez Jaramillo, President, International Coffee Agreement; others. Moderator, Carleton Sprague Smith, Brazilian Institute, NYU; Roland T. Ely, Rutgers, Rapporteur.

## First Cameroon President Here at Lunch March 15

President Ahmadou Ahidjo, of the Republic of Cameroon, will be the guest at a special OPC luncheon on Thursday, March 15, accompanied by an official party.

Ahidjo is the first President of his country, which achieved independence January 1, 1960. This is the African statesman's first visit to the United States, as President.

The Department of State will be represented by Hon. *Angier Biddle Duke*, Chief of Protocol, and Hon. Leland Barrows, U.S. Ambassador to Cameroon.

President Ahidjo, who is 36 years old, is one of the world's youngest chiefs of state. Essentially pro-Western, he forecasts a moderating and constructive role for Cameroon in future African affairs, and is highly regarded by both African and European leaders.

## Candidacy Petitions

Members are reminded that if they wish to nominate anyone for office in the forthcoming annual election, petitions must be in the hands of the Secretary of the Club — or postmarked — no later than Noon on Tuesday, March 18. Such petitions must bear no less than 40 signatures of Active members in good standing. The nominees so proposed must give consent in writing, addressed to the Secretary, within five days after the petition has been filed.

*Fred Kerner*, Chairman  
Judges of the Election



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Lacerda

2:30 — 5:30 p.m., March 20 —

*Hemisphere political movements.* Serafino Romualdi, Inter-American Representative, AFL-CIO; Jose Goldsack of Chile, President, Latin American Confederation of Christian Trade Unions; A. Curtis Wilgus, Director, School of Inter-American Studies, University of Florida; others. Moderator, Julio Garzon, USIA.

9:30 a.m. — 12:30 p.m., March 21 —

*The Inter-American System.* Adolf A. Berle, Jr., former Assistant Secretary of State and recently Kennedy's Latin American "task force" coordinator; Carlos Urrutia, Guatemalan OAS Ambassador; Jose Antonio Mayobre, Venezuelan OAS Ambassador; others.

2:30 — 6:00 p.m., March 21 —

*Communications: The Americas' images of each other.* President of the Inter-American Press Association, Andrew Heiskell; Luis Alberto Sanchez, Rector, University of San Marcos, Peru; Miss Muna Lee, U.S. State Dept. American Republics Division; others. Moderator, Robert D. Barton, Associate Director of Columbia University's International Fellows Program. Rapporteur, Robert E. McNicoll, general editor, University of Florida Journal of Inter-American Studies.

With two weeks to go, well over half the available audience space has been reserved, through the OPC Desk and Mrs. Laura Wyman (DI 4-0287).



OPCers WELCOME KUBITSCHKEK at March 5 Luncheon: (l. to r.) John Luter, president; Frank Kelley, assistant to editor, N.Y. Herald Tribune; Dorothy Gordon, NBC; Ansel Talbert, vice president; Kubitschek; Igor Gordevitch, vice-president of Vision, Inc. and executive editor of Vision magazine; Stan Swinton, director of World Services, AP; and Emanuel Freedman, Foreign News editor, The New York Times.

## KUBITSCHKEK ASKS PRESS 'HELP ENLIGHTEN READERS'

The former President of Brazil, Dr. Juscelino Kubitschek, appealed to the U.S. press "to help enlighten your readership with regard to Brazil and not to inadvertently add fuel to the fire of misunderstanding."

Speaking before an OPC press luncheon in his honor Monday, March 5, Kubitschek said that the "freedom of the press is inviolable." He recalled that during his public life he owed much to the free press of his own country "even when it saw fit to attack me, since I was thereby helped in reviewing and examining my own acts."

Referring to recent problems involving "an act of a State Governor in rescinding the contract of a public utility firm," he said that the matter was in the hands of the Judiciary and he hoped that the "privilege you enjoy to say what you will should bring forth the desire to hear all the pros and cons."

George Natanson, luncheon chairman, moderated the program and OPC Prexy John Luter introduced the guest of honor. Anita Diamant Burke and Bill Baldwin assisted in the arrangements.

### Rio Chapter Honors via Cable

American correspondents based Brazil wish to associate ourselves with fellow OPCers honoring Juscelino Kubitschek March 5. Dr. Kubitschek is not only a distinguished leader for the cause of democracy and free enterprise but also a cordial friend of all journalists and courageous defender of freedom of the press. *Denny Davis*, President, OPC Rio Chapter





REUBEN MARKHAM PORTRAIT is unveiled at March 1 dinner honoring the late journalist. In photo (l. to r.) are Nikola Blazev; Erwin D. Canham; Boyan Choukanoff; OPC veeep Hal Lehrman; Prof. Floyd H. Black; Mrs. Markham; Dean Edward W. Barrett; and John Page.

## MARKHAM HONORED AS EDUCATOR AND JOURNALIST

The late Reuben H. Markham, pioneer foreign correspondent in the Balkans was honored at the Club March 1 as a "fighter against tyranny in any form."

Friends, relatives, students and colleagues of the Kansas-born *Christian Science Monitor* correspondent gathered on the 50th anniversary of his arrival in Bulgaria to note his continuing influence on journalism and world affairs and the warm-hearted, Christian approach to his career as missionary, educator and newspaperman. Markham, who was with the *Monitor* for 22 years, died in 1949.

A portrait of Markham by a recent Bulgarian escapee, Nikola Blazev, was unveiled by Markham's niece, Mrs. Margery Ricklefs in the presence of his widow, Mary Gall Markham.

Erwin D. Canham, editor of the *Christian Science Monitor*, told the gathering that there never has been a time "when Reuben Markham's kind of journalism is

more needed than today."

The Markham commemoration was inspired and carried through by Boyan Choukanoff, one of his former students, now co-editor of the *American Bulgarian Review*. The event was sponsored jointly by the International Federation of Free Journalists, the American Bulgarian League and the OPC.

OPC vice-president Hal Lehrman, presiding, said that Markham had been "one of the clearest voices to warn the U.S. against the follies of trying to appease Soviet claims in East Europe."

Others who reminisced about Markham included Dr. Floyd H. Black, former president of Robert College in Istanbul; Dean Edward W. Barrett of Columbia Graduate School of Journalism; Dr. Constantine Visoianu, former Foreign Minister of Rumania; John H. Page, vice-president, Free Europe Committee; and Boyan Choukanoff.

The Markham ceremonies were taped by Radio Free Europe and Voice of America.

## ALGERIA (Cont'd from page 1)

The Secret Army accused the Italians of "distorting the Algerian problem." French officials said they were powerless to protect the correspondents. "We can't keep our own people safe. How do you expect us to protect you?" one official said.

The death threats were preceeded by several kidnappings. Two Italian television representatives said they were taken by a commando unit of Europeans on Saturday afternoon, and an Italian newspaper correspondent was spirited from his hotel lobby in the evening. All three were told that at least one member of their group would be killed unless all Italians left.

A government spokesman told a news conference that any police protection would hamper the reporter's activities and thus would be incompatible with their mission in the country.

## TICKER (Cont'd from page 2)

Time-Life bureau chief, also suffered broken windows at his home in Boulogne because of a bomb set off at the nearby home of Cultural Affairs Minister Andre Malraux . . . . The AP office was shaken twice by bombs down the street from the Herald Trib building . . . . Joseph Grigg, UPI news manager for Western continental Europe, had a plastic bomb blast down the street in building next to his . . . . Your correspondent enjoys (?) the dubious distinction of being the only newsman so far who has had plastic bombs explode directly across the street from both home and office.

The outlawed right-wing terrorist Secret Army Organization (OAS) seems to be growing bolder. On February 27, the OAS directly Telex-ed the AP bureau in Paris with a 10-line teleprinter message, the contents of a propaganda tract issued in Algiers. Nobody ever figured out where the message originated, but the sending point was said to have the call-sign, "Information-Alger" which does not exist. It was the first time the OAS had ever plugged in to the AP Telex in Paris. AP's operator asked where the message was coming from and only got the cryptic reply, "From a particularly well-informed source close to General Raoul Salan."

AP now has both Andrew Borowiec and Rodney Angove of the Paris bureau in Algeria . . . . UPI has sent Peter Robinson to Algeria.

Edwin L. Dale, N.Y. Times European economic correspondent, appeared on Paris-filmed National Television Educational Network program of Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt . . . . Robert C. Doty, N.Y. Times bureau chief, got away for short ski jaunt in Davos . . . . John Scott, assistant to publisher of Time, passed through Paris . . . . Ditto, Graham Hovey of Minneapolis Star and Tribune, London, doing a few stories here . . . . Crosby Noyes, Washington Evening Star, back from assignment in Africa.

## Afternoon Concerts Start with German Song Cycle

The OPC's new Sunday afternoon in-person concert series was inaugurated before a large audience last week with



FIRST OPC LIVE CONCERT, March 4: (l. to r.) Jack Frummer; Eleanor Pudil Anop; Sam Morgenstern; and Herb Kupferberg.

Eleanor Pudil Anop, contralto, and Sam Morgenstern, pianist, as guest artists.

Miss Pudil Anop sang Schubert's complete "Winterreise" song cycle in German, and Morgenstern provided the accompaniment along with explanations and commentary on the songs. The contralto's warm, rich voice held the audience spellbound through the 24 songs. Both performers received warm applause throughout the cycle as well as a final ovation.

Jack Frummer of the Music Committee presided at the concert and introduced the artists. Committee chairman Herb Kupferberg, record critic of the *Herald Tribune*, in expressing the Club's appreciation, pointed out that the tenth-floor lounge offered an ideal, informal surrounding for recitals and said the next in the series would be announced soon.



# Workshop For High School Advisors Tells 'Journalism Story'



STELLAR PANEL of experts who spoke at OPC's first Journalism Workshop for NYC high school teachers are shown above. (l. to r.) Paul Swensson, Newspaper Fund; Muriel Henry, League for Nursing; Bill Sexton, UPI; Bill Arthur, Look; Ben Grauer, NBC; Gay Pauley, UPI; Bob McLaughlin, U.S. Camera; George Bookman, Fortune; and Jack Smith, Howard Chase Associates. The panel frankly appraised the career opportunities for young people going into the field.

"We have finally established a link between the news-gathering profession and those able to guide young people into this exciting and important work."

With these words, OPC president John Luter opened a workshop-symposium for 42 N.Y. high school journalism faculty advisors, held at the World Press Center the afternoon of February 28. Co-sponsors were the Deadline Club of New York (Sigma Delta Chi) and its feminine counterpart, Theta Sigma Phi.

Speaking for SDX, president William B. Arthur, managing editor of *Look*, noted that "not enough young people of talent are going into journalism, though they are needed as never before. Without them, democracy must be inevitably suffer." He was seconded by Mrs. Ida Sloan Snyder, TSP prexy and news director for the National YWCA.

More than 35 high school papers were analyzed by working news people, who commented on content, layout and use of pictures. One panel was directed by Robert Prall, assistant city editor of the *N.Y. World Telegram & Sun*; the other by Frank Kelley of the *N.Y. Herald Tribune*.

Highlight of the meeting was the Career Clinic, a 14-speaker cross-section of journalism. Moderated by NBC commentator Ben Grauer, the panel gave frank opinions concerning opportunities for young people in such fields as newspapers, general and trade magazines, radio and TV, public relations, advertising and the wire services.

Major point brought out by the panel was that a broad educational background was essential for today's journalist. Most favored a liberal arts or journalism degree. Lone dissenter was Dan Brigham of the *N.Y. Journal-American* who said

the "up through the ranks from copy-boy" approach is still possible. Brigham stated, "a kid needn't give up because he can't afford an education."

At a reception following the workshop, Sam Polatnick of the N.Y. Board of Education thanked the sponsoring groups and



"NEWSPAPER CLINIC"; shown analyzing high school newspapers are (l. to r.) Richard J.H. Johnston, *N.Y. Times*; Frank Kelley, assistant to editor, *N.Y. Herald Tribune*; and Liz McHarry, Theta Sigma Phi.

the teachers who attended. He asked that liaison between the working press and the schools continue. Anita Diamant Berke of the OPC and TSP told the group that a Speakers Bureau would supply journalist speakers to any high school requesting one.



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## PEOPLE & PLACES

**TRAVELING:** David Binder, N.Y. Times, returned to NYC from temporary (since Aug. 1961) Berlin/E. Germany assignment—is now assigned temporarily to the science dept....**Hy Charniak** is visiting Bermuda this week (March 10-15) for preview of tourist season....**K.S. Giniger**, president, Hawthorn Books, Inc., begins his annual visit to European publishers, authors' agents, etc., in Rome March 18-24—then to Milan, Zurich, Geneva, Paris, London and to the International Publishers Congress in Barcelona May 6-13. He returns May 16....**Ed Edwin** has returned after completing assignments in Colombia, So. America and Cape Canaveral.

**BOOKS:** Harry W. Flannery has edited new book, just published by Newman, called "Patterns for Peace," Catholic Statements on International Order....**Irma Selz Engelhardt**, former newspaper and magazine caricaturist, will have her third children's book published March 14—title: "Katy, Be Good," about young Amish visitor in N.Y.C.

**ARTICLES:** Ken Anderson's Today's Health (March issue) is featuring a Will Yolen by-liner on kite flying.

**STORK CLUB:** Belated congratulations to Fred and Sally Kerner, parents of a son, David, born December 21.

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## Book Fair Response Good

Response for the OPC Book Fair has been most gratifying. The Book Night Committee is planning a book sale which will be manned by OPC members during the fair and authors will be asked to autograph their own books. All authors present will be guests of the OPC at dinner, which will be followed by a program of entertainment.

Further details of the event will be announced in next week's issue.

### RYAN (Cont'd from page 1)

As in previous years, companies will be invited to reserve special tables for preferred locations in the Grand Ballroom.

Williams A. Berns, Adele Nathan, Alvin Perlmutter, and Pat Sullivan were named to the production subcommittee.

Arthur Milton and Myra Waldo were appointed co-chairmen of the bill-of-fare subcommittee.

Past-president John Wilhelm was named chairman of the seating committee; Matthew Bassity, comptroller; and Fice Mork, ticket sales.

Other dinner committee members are William Baldwin, Jesse Bell, Anita Diamant Berke, Robert G. Black, Lawrence G. Blochman, William Brooks, Albert Stevens Crockett, Richard de Rochemont, Thomas Dorsey, Angier Biddle Duke, Frank Gibney, A.C. Hancock, Florence Jones Hilty, Lee K. Jaffee, Natalie Jaros, Harry Jiler, Irene Kuhn, Florence Laurence, Murray Lewis, president John Luter, Kathleen McLaughlin, Dorothy L. Omansky, Inez Robb, Madeline D. Ross, Columbia Rossi, Joseph Ryle, William L. Safire, Woodrow Wirsig, Ben G. Wright and Will H. Yolen. An executive committee will be named later.

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Stephen E. Korsen, Chairman

## ASSESSMENT (Cont'd from page 1)

new building four times as large as its old quarters.

Even with the assessment, it was pointed out, the OPC is still a bargain as Clubs go. Its resident dues, which have not been increased in nearly a decade despite continually rising costs, remain only \$50 a year, compared to \$80 charged by the National Press Club in Washington. OPC dues are also far lower than those of any Club in New York City with its own building.

In a letter to the membership, OPC President John Luter pointed out that when the Club last April undertook to occupy an 11-story building, remodel it into a World Press Center, and greatly expand its operations (which now represent an annual turnover of approximately \$1.4 million), it was expected that operating losses during the transition year would be substantial.

Overhead increased immediately, to double and in some cases triple the old figures. Club revenues, however, necessarily lagged until the new building's public rooms could be air-conditioned and until the two-and-a-half floors of office space could be remodeled and rented. Our large banquet facilities—now a major source of revenue—were not available until late September.

Transition losses, the president reported, have been held to approximately \$46,000 for the nine months ended January 31. This is much less than originally forecast—largely because bar business increased by more than 50 per cent, and the Club attracted more than 500 new members.

The Club, which incurred most of its loss in the first five months of the fiscal year, is now approaching a break even basis. A profit of \$1,235 in October was followed by a loss of \$3,145 in November, a profit of \$389 in December, and a heavy loss of \$8,427 in January when an automatic wage increase became effective and the bar was closed 10 days for renovation.

February's preliminary figures, however, are encouraging, and it is expected that the Club's income in March and April—normally good months—will be swelled by income from *Dateline*, the Annual Awards Dinner and a special film premiere. Altogether, President Luter believes, there is a possibility that the Club will break even for the Oct. 1—April 30 period.

The President said, however, that the assessment was necessary to assure the Club's continuing stability and sound cash position. Income customarily declines in the summer and early Fall, he pointed out, and the Club must have an adequate reserve to meet emergencies.



## MEDIA WILL MIX WITH BOAC CHAMPAGNE MIXERS

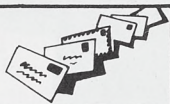
A party at Idlewild, arranged for OPC's lucky Charter Fliers by BOAC, will serve as an opportunity for members to get acquainted and to set the pace for a super flight from New York to Paris, Friday evening, May 18.

The departure at 9:00 p.m. enables members "to put in a day's work" and yet arrive refreshed in Paris on Saturday morning. A BOAC Boeing 707 jet effects this magic in seven hours.

After 30 days on their own, OPCers will depart from London on Sunday, June 17, and arrive the same date in New York.

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## LETTERS



Editor, *Bulletin*:

Phil Bucknell, who has many friends in the OPC, is a patient in the Englewood Hospital, in Englewood, New Jersey. Phil was a combat correspondent during World War II with the *Stars and Stripes*. He brought out one of the first stories after the Allied armies landed on the Normandy Beaches during D-Day. Phil jumped with the 82nd Airborne over the Cherbourg peninsula but broke his leg when he landed. He insisted on filing his story before being taken to the hospital.

Dan Regan

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## Kronfeld, 49, Victim of N.Y. Airline Disaster

*Chester ("Blackie") Kronfeld*, 49, died on March 1, a victim of the fatal Jamaica Bay jetliner crash which took 95 lives.

Kronfeld, who was manager of photography for Pan American World Airways, was en route to a photo assignment in Pakistan at the time of the disaster.

He had been with Pan American since 1950, and was associated with American Overseas Airlines from 1946 until its 1950 merger with Pan American.

Well-known throughout the world for his many memorable photographs, and through his extensive traveling — in his career he totalled 45 round-the-world trips and 90 Atlantic crossings — Kronfeld was responsible for the popular P.A.A. World Scenic Calendar photographs.

He was a contributor to *Life*, *Collier's*, *Saturday Evening Post*, and many other publications. During WW II, he was a Combat Photographer, with the U.S. Army Signal Corps in the South Pacific.

Funeral services were held in New York City on March 4, and were attended by a large number of his OPC friends.

He is survived by his wife, Mildred, of 25 Vandam Street, New York City.

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